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Hearing: Waste, Fraud, and Abuse in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina

WHO: Subcommittee on Investigations
Michael McCaul (R-TX), Chairman

WHEN: 11 a.m., Wednesday, June 14, 2006

WHERE: 311 Cannon House Office Building

WITNESSES

Mr. Gregory D. Kutz
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BACKGROUND

The Subcommittee on Investigations will examine waste, fraud and abuse of federal funds in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Thousands of victims of the disaster were given debit cards and other types of tax payer funds to help them pay for food and shelter. The hearing will include reports from the Government Accountability Office (GAO) that place estimates of funds involved in fraud and/or questionable expenses at approximately one billion dollars.

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